



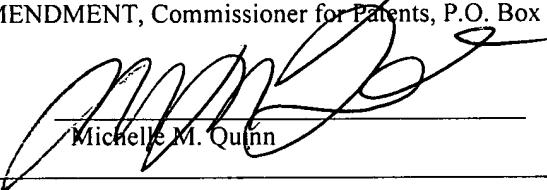
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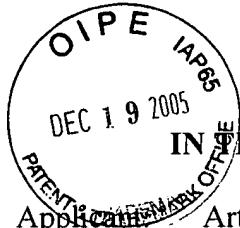


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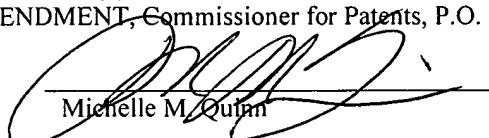
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**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement mailed from the United States Patent and Trademark Office on November 15, 2005, Applicant hereby requests entry of the following election.

**Election**

Applicant hereby elects Group I (claims 1-21, 23, 28-33, 44, 46-58, 64-66, 71-74, 77-81, 84, 85, 89, 90, 95, 96 and 98), drawn to a composition comprising an immunostimulatory sequence and a microbial antigen, and a method of administering said composition, classified in class 536, subclass 23.1, with traverse. Applicant notes that claim 1 is the linking claim for Groups I-III and that upon allowance of claim 1, the restriction between Groups I-III shall be withdrawn and any claim(s) depending from or otherwise including all the limitations of claim 1 will be entitled to examination in the instant application.

Applicant further makes the following species elections:

- (a) a microbial antigen species that is a viral antigen; and
- (b) a viral antigen species that is a Hepatitis B viral antigen.